

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 15 with the following:

Glove construction for protection of the human hand is well known. In addition there are a number of patents which teach gloves claimed to be particularly useful when playing baseball, softball and the like. For example, U.S. Patent No. 6,182,289 teaches a baseball glove which has enhanced flexibility which is particularly beneficial to ballplayers with developing hand-flex strength and, U.S. Patent No. 4,817,209 teaches a child's baseball glove which includes an elongated padded retainer member detachably secured to opposite side portions of the pocket of the glove. Moreover, there have been a number of patents issued to Dr. James M. Kleinert which are directed to gloves, particularly for use in sports, which includes shock absorbing pads positioned for location above and below the center axis of rotation of selected joints of the fingers while the joints of the fingers themselves are absent of shock absorbing pads.